



# Upcoming Events

- **Exoplanet Science Strategy**, White Papers are due by March 9th, 2018  
[http://sites.nationalacademies.org/SSB/CurrentProjects/SSB\\_180659](http://sites.nationalacademies.org/SSB/CurrentProjects/SSB_180659)
- The **3rd Ocean Worlds** meeting will be held May 21–24, 2018, at the Lunar and Planetary Institute, Houston, Texas  
Abstract submission and registration January 22 – March 7,  
<https://www.hou.usra.edu/meetings/oceanworlds2018/>
- **42nd COSPAR Scientific Assembly**  
July 14 – 22, 2018 in Pasadena, CA  
Early registration ends **April 27, 2018**,  
<https://www.cospar-assembly.org/>
- **69th International Astronautical Congress**  
October 1-5, 2018 in Bremen, Germany  
Abstract submission **February 27** for NASA support  
<https://iac.nasaprs.com/iac/home/index.cfm>

# Early Career Opportunities

- **Undergraduate Abstract Competition at AbGradCon 2018**, Atlanta, GA  
The Astrobiology Graduate Conference (AbGradCon), will invite finalists to submit a short video and the winner will be invited to attend the 2018 conference. **Application deadline March 12** <http://abgradcon.org/>
- **NASA Postdoctoral Program**, **Applications due March 1<sup>st</sup>**, [www.npp.usra.edu](http://www.npp.usra.edu)
- **NASA Fellowship Activity**, a graduate student award intended to support the vitality and diversity of the STEM workforce, **deadline March 20<sup>th</sup>**,
- **Josep Comas i Sola International Summer School in Astrobiology**, in 2018 the school will be held from **June 25-29** and the focus will be Biomarkers: Signs of Life Through Space and Time, **deadline late March**
- **Astrobiology Early Career Collaboration Award**, **deadline April 1<sup>st</sup>**

# 2018 Georgia Tech Astrobiology Colloquium

Exploring Life Origins and the Universe: A Networking Event

<https://astrobiology.blog/astrobiology-colloquium/>

**March 30th, 2018**. This is a new early career event for the Georgia Tech astrobiology community and will consist of presentations and talks by students (both graduate and undergraduate) and post-doctoral fellows working in astrobiology, space science, and engineering across the Georgia Tech campus and greater Atlanta.

## Plenary Speakers



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